

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

*Please amend the claims as follows:*

1. (currently amended) A method comprising:
  - defining at least one communication group and members of said group in a personal communications device operable in a telecommunication network,
  - defining communication actions associated with a notification method,
  - sending at least one communication action of the defined communication actions to a far-end party by the personal communication device,
  - identifying a communication group of said at least one communication group having the far-end party of the at least one communication action as a member, and
  - sending notifications in response to the at least one communication action to target devices that have members that belong to said identified communication group, wherein said notifications are distinct from said at least one communication action, and said notifications comprise activity-based presence information of said far-end party.
2. (previously presented) A method of claim 1, further comprising constructing an address table of target devices from a plurality of communication group member lists, said lists comprising the far-end party of the communication action as a member.
3. (original) A method of claim 2, wherein each address appears not more than once in said constructed address table.
4. (previously presented) A method of claim 1, further comprising receiving notification

messages from other devices.

5. (original) A method of claim 4, wherein a user presence database stored in said personal communications device is updated based on received notification data.
6. (previously presented) A method of claim 1, further comprising notifying said target devices on behalf of said far-end party.
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8. (original) A method of claim 1, wherein said identification of actions is based on a predefined list of communication actions triggering the sending of notifications.
9. (original) A method of claim 1, wherein said notifications comprise one of the following: sounds to be played by said target devices, textual information, or visual symbols associated with said communication groups.
- 10.(previously presented) A method of claim 1, wherein said notification is a short message service or multimedia messaging service message.
- 11.(previously presented) A method of claim 1, wherein said notification is sent over a connection utilizing Internet Protocol, version 6.
- 12.(previously presented) A method of claim 1, wherein said communication action is one of the following: initiating a call, answering a call, sending a message, receiving a message, or reading a received message.
- 13.(previously presented) A method of claim 1, further comprising adding a new

member to a communication group upon receiving a notification associated with the communication group from a person previously not belonging to said communication group.

14.(previously presented) A method of claim 1, further comprising removing at least one member from the communication group, which member has not been active for a predetermined time limit.

15.(previously presented) A method of claim 1, further comprising contacting a server for acquiring or updating communication group definitions.

16.(currently amended) A method comprising:

- associating at least one profile with at least one action,
- associating said at least one profile with at least one communication group comprising at least one member,
- performing at least one action of said at least one profile associated with said at least one communication group, and
- sending notifications in response to said at least one action to target devices that have members that belong to said at least one communication group, wherein said notifications are distinct from said at least one action, and said notifications comprise activity-based presence information of said far-end party.

17.(previously presented) A method of claim 16, further comprising constructing an address table of target devices from a plurality of communication group member lists.

18.(original) A method of claim 17, wherein each address appears not more than once in said constructed address table.

- 19.(previously presented) A method of claim 16, further comprising that the personal communications device receives notification messages from other devices.
- 20.(previously presented) A method of claim 19, wherein a user presence database stored in said personal communications device is updated based on received data from the other devices.
- 21.(previously presented) A method of claim 16, wherein said notifications comprise one of following: sounds to be played by said target devices, textual information, or visual symbols associated with said communication groups.
- 22.(previously presented) A method of claim 16, wherein said notification is a short message service or multimedia messaging service message.
- 23.(previously presented) A method of claim 16, wherein said notification is sent over a connection utilizing Internet Protocol, version 6.
- 24.(previously presented) A method of claim 16, wherein said action is one of following: initiating a call, answering a call, sending a message, receiving a message, or reading a received message.
- 25.(previously presented) A method of claim 16, wherein said action is accessing a service.
- 26.(previously presented) A method of claim 16, wherein said action is part of a procedure for accessing the Internet.

- 27.(previously presented) A method of claim 16, wherein said action is switching the user profile.
- 28.(previously presented) A method of claim 16, further comprising adding a new member to a communication group upon receiving a notification associated with the communication group from a person previously not belonging to said communication group.
- 29.(previously presented) A method of 16, further comprising removing at least one member from the communication group, which member has not been active for a predetermined time limit.
- 30.(previously presented) A method of claim 16, further comprising contacting a server for acquiring or updating communication group definitions.
- 31.(currently amended) A personal communications device operable in a telecommunications network, comprising a processor and a memory for processing and storing instructions and data, said personal communications device arranged to define at least one communication group and members of said group, arranged to define communication actions associated with a notification method, arranged to send at least one communication action of the defined communication action to a far-end party, arranged to identify a communication group of said at least one communication group having the far-end party of the at least one communication action as a member, and arranged to send notifications in response to the at least one communication action to target devices, the users of which belong to at least one of said at least one communication group, wherein said notifications are distinct from said at least one communication action, and said notifications comprise activity-based presence information of said far-end party.

32.(previously presented) A personal communications device of claim 31, further arranged to associate said identified actions with at least one communication group by retrieving the communication group membership information of the far-end party involved in said action from the database stored in said personal communications device.

33.(original) A personal communications device of claim 31, further arranged to receive notification messages from other devices.

34.(previously presented) A personal communications device of claim 33, further arranged to update user presence database based on received data.

35.(original) A personal communications device of claim 31, further arranged to notify said target devices on behalf of said far-end party.

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37.(original) A personal communications device of claim 31, further arranged to associate said identified actions with at least one communication group by mapping said actions to profiles connected to at least one communication group.

38.(original) A personal communications device of claim 31, further arranged to construct an address table of target devices from a plurality of communication group member lists.

39.(previously presented) A personal communications device of claim 31, which is a global system for mobile communications or a universal mobile telecommunication

system terminal.

- 40.(original) A personal communications device of claim 31, further arranged to identify said actions on the basis of a predetermined list of actions associated with sending of notifications.
- 41.(previously presented) A personal communications device of claim 31, further arranged to send said notifications as short message service or multimedia messaging service messages.
- 42.(previously presented) A personal communications device of claim 31, further arranged to transmit said notifications over a connection utilizing Internet Protocol, version 6.
- 43.(original) A personal communications device of claim 33, further arranged to add a new member to a communication group upon receiving a notification associated with the communication group from a person previously not belonging to said communication group.
- 44.(original) A personal communications device of claim 31, further arranged to remove group members from the group, which members have not been active for a predetermined time limit.
45. (original) A personal communications device of claim 31, comprising at least two devices arranged to communicate with each other.
- 46.(currently amended) A personal communications device operable in a telecommunications network, comprising:

means for processing data,  
means for storing instructions and data,  
means for defining at least one communication group and members of said group in a personal communications device operable in a communication network,  
means for defining communication actions associated with a notification method,  
means for sending at least one communication action of the defined communication actions to a far-end party,  
means for identifying a communication group of said at least one communication group having the far-end party of the at least one communication action as a member, and  
means for sending notifications in response to the at least one communication action to target devices, the users of which belong to at least one of said at least one communication group, wherein said notifications are distinct from said at least one communication action, and said notifications comprise activity-based presence information of said far-end party.